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THE WOES OF ARMENIA

Clara Barton's Measures of Relief.

Thousands Are Gathering Into the Towns.

Awful Destitution Prevails and Only Foreign Aid Saves from Starvation.

NEW YORK, April 3.—The National Armenian relief committee today received the following telegram, addressed by Miss Clara Barton to the chairman of the committee:

"CONSTANTINOPLE, April 2, 1896. 'To Spencer Trask, New York—We have just ordered eight physicians and apothecaries with medical supplies for Beyrout and another caravan of goods into that terribly afflicted district. The sublime Porte ordered every facility given for distribution. Our only hindrance is slow transportation. Steamers are fifteen days apart. It is easy to telegraph money, but supplies are exhausted and must be carried to them. Mrs. Lee writes: 'Not a yard of cotton in Marash. Smallpox, dysentery and typhoid are prevalent. No doctors but those we send.'"

(Signed) "BARTON." In addition there has been received the following from Marash: "There are 12,000 refugees here. The problem of how to help sufferers here and in Zeitoun comes upon us with crushing force. The misery is past human imagination, caused by cold, famine and smallpox. We are using \$500 a week for food, clothing and bedding and it is barely inside the starvation rates. Cannot more be sent? Do those who contribute wish us to continue at such a low rate? The medicines of Tuesday are exhausted and we have sent for more to Aintab. We forward detailed reports of all moneys used. Tomorrow we cut down one-half our help for lack of funds. Thousands of pounds are needed to save these people from miserable death. When will it come?"

In response to these pressing demands the committee today forwarded to Turkey by cable \$10,000.

A dispatch from Constantinople says: Miss Clara Barton, president of the American Red Cross society, is much disturbed on account of the reports circulated in the United States that Red Cross relief is being controlled by the Turks. This is not the case. The Turkish government allows the agents of Miss Barton to distribute relief funds, the only stipulation be-

ing that it must be done in the presence of Turkish officials.

IN SOUTH AFRICA.

Assurances That the British Government Will Send Troops.

CAPE TOWN, April 3.—News from Matabeleland is meagre, but there are now indications that the rebellion may be checked before it has time to spread dangerously far.

Dispatches received here from England say preparations are being made to send reinforcements of 5,000 regular troops here at short notice, should such steps be necessary and it is said that 5,000 additional troops can be hurried here from India in a very short time. The announcement has a calming effect upon the public mind and there is not so much loud talking on the part of the burghers and their advisors.

FRANKLIN'S CONFIRMATION.

Is Now No Opposition Manifested in the Committee.

WASHINGTON, April 3.—The senate committee on territories today authorized a favorable report on the nomination of B. J. Franklin to succeed Governor Hughes as governor of Arizona. Contrary to expectations no opposition to the confirmation manifested itself in the committee.

Delegate Murphy filed a request to have the nomination held up when the name was first sent in, but withdrew it.

A TREASURER'S SUICIDE.

Despondent Through a Shortage in His Funds.

OMAHA, April 3.—A special to The Bee from Lincoln says: County Treasurer Maxey Cobb, who has been missing for several days, was found dead near town today. He had taken morphine. Financial reverses caused him to commit suicide. Recently he had settled a shortage of several thousand dollars growing out of the failure of a bank in which he had placed funds.

FETTERED THE JAP.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 3.—General Yamagata, the Japanese warrior, was given a reception today by the chamber of commerce. Many prominent citizens attended and felicitous speeches were made.

PUCK TRAVELS.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 3.—H. C. Bunker, editor of Puck, left for New York tonight.

THE BOLTERS CAUCUS

Disagree Over Division of Offices.

The Canals Must Control the Courts.

J. Y. T. Smith Leaves the Improvement Gang in Disgrace—Asks Where the Republicans Are.

The bolters have taken to the dark lantern methods which their organ has denounced with so much show of virtue lately.

At the Phoenix Hay and Grain store, at the corner of Jefferson and First streets, there was held a remarkable meeting of the few remaining kickers who are still held up by the Improvement company.

Special Constable Webster was door keeper. They had three pass words, all of which were adopted some time ago by mutual consent; they are "Allison," "Morton" and "Reed." The place of meeting was changed from back of the bank to the hay and grain store because the stockholders of the bank feared to have some of the members of this dark lantern crowd congregated so near the bank funds; and then by meeting in a hay and grain store they could catch the granger vote.

Hine, Millay and Morford, the Reed division, and Christy and Armstrong, the Allison forces, and McMillan, Fowler and the Fowler company, the Morton forces, arrived at 8 o'clock sharp. The room was dimly lighted by tallow candles stuck in barley sacks.

Just as they were about to open the proceedings Dunbar and Mills arose from behind some baled hay and were at once recognized as friends and members of the caucus. This movement by Dunbar and Mills was the signal for other non-partisans to come forth from behind barrels, barley sacks and baled straw.

A platform was hastily constructed out of baled hay, Dunbar mounted it and proceedings began. Tom Hine explained the object of the meeting. He said "It was all important to first unite all patriots regardless of party in favor of me and the Improvement company. My veracity is at stake and the Improvement company must control politics, and the second object is to distribute the patronage of the coming administration. (Loud applause.)"

At this point J. Y. T. Smith arose and said he would like to ask some questions. He went on to state that he had understood that this was to be a Republican caucus, and in the interest of good government, but how are we to act in the interest of good government and in accordance with Republican principles with such men as Dunbar, Mills and others present and leading us? "There is another thing," said he. "Under our appointment it takes four Republicans in Phoenix to be worth as much as one Republican in the country. This is not right. Another thing, I would like to ask, where are the good old standby Republicans you agreed should be here tonight, such as Talbot, Judges Kibbey and Street, Gant, Kales, Goodrich, Ford, Eschman, McNulty, Johnstone Pritch and many others it is needless for me to name?" Smith was called to order at this point, and becoming indignant, left the room.

Millay here arose and said "As he was there only in the interest of good government, he desired his presence to be kept a profound secret; he had made arrangements for Bennett to furnish the brains another two years as district attorney, and he desired again to run. If the people should find out that he was attending this caucus he stood no show to be re-elected."

McMillan said it was not the elective offices that the caucus was after. The people would probably defeat anything that they could devise. "I have been acting as receiver for a canal company for several years by appointment and that is the way to get office. Get some one appointed governor, defeat statehood and run the territory on the appointive plan in the interest of certain men and companies."

Here Dunbar recognized Link Fowler, who had been making a guttural sound for some time. He said "there was a matter of great personal concern to him. Of course some of you know what it is. I am a candidate for St. Louis. Of course you all know who I am. I have served the Improvement company for 10, these many years, and I now demand recognition. You send me to St. Louis or I will quit you now and forever."

Here Morford told Mintz to demand the government and territorial printing, which he did in this cute way, and Mills immediately arose and hit him with a bag of beans in the stomach. Dunbar here made for Morford with a carrot root he had been using for a gavel, but before they came together the candle dippers were blown out and the meeting ended.

Webster locked up, cursing in low tones, as they had agreed to take up a collection for him. Armstrong caught the last car, muttering that his chances for judge were growing slim; because

after all it looked as if the Improvement company really wanted Ainsworth to run the court.

Yesterday a Republican reporter interviewed several of the bolters and the meeting seems to have lacked real fellowship and harmony. It is likely there will be a bolt from the bolters and before April 10 most of them will be working with the regular Republicans.

MESA NOTES.

Marriages, Politics and Regulation of Bicycles.

On Wednesday at the home of Chas. Peterson Mr. Heber Stallings and Miss Clara Peterson were united in marriage. They are two of Mesa's best young people and well deserve the hearty congratulations which they received.

At the Co-op. hall on Thursday evening a free dance was given to those who aided in the completion of the brick work on the Mormon tabernacle. A large crowd of young people were present and all apparently enjoyed themselves.

The candidates for school trustee in district No. 4, Mesa, were H. S. Peterson and D. T. LeBaron. Mr. Peterson was elected by a majority of ten votes.

At Lehi district No. 10 D. P. Jones was re-elected over H. Slimkins, who was also a candidate.

The present raise in the river has been sufficient so that the large acreage of grain south has been irrigated and will undoubtedly make a good crop.

The orange tree and rose bush are once more in full bloom and the little quotation, "Gentle Spring in Sunshine Glad," Well Dost Thou Thy Powers Display," is certainly verified.

Superintendent Netherton has been up from the capital city for the past few days.

Ten of the Phoenix boys came up on wheels on Sunday. Arranged in single file they formed quite a procession. Among the number were A. L. Hendricks and Fay, of Pinney & Robinson.

On account of several accidents the city council has made it a misdemeanor punishable by a \$3 fine to ride a bicycle on the sidewalk.

All of the schools of Mesa and vicinity have now closed for the summer vacation.

VOTES FOR QUAY.

EASTON, Pa., April 2.—In the Eighth congressional district, the Republican conferees today elected General Frank Reeder and J. M. Driesbach delegates to the National convention. They are instructed for Senator Quay for president.

COUNTY TAX SALES.

Progress in Clearing Off the County Delinquent List.

Only a couple of weeks now remain to the county treasurer in which to dispose of the property delinquent for taxes for the past year and Treasurer Murray is beginning to hurry up the work. He is now selling over a hundred pieces a day from the court house steps and has reached the letter G on the tax roll. Among the pieces of property disposed of yesterday was one listed to M. H. DeYoung of the San Francisco Chronicle. It was a suburban lot, worth probably \$700.

Very few pieces are passing to the territory. In attendance are about a dozen local capitalists, with their eye to the 30 per cent added penalty and their reward will assuredly well compensate them for their expenditure. Then, of course, there will be pieces that will never be redeemed, held by absent and forgetful owners.

The crowd is a jolly one that camps beneath the eloquence of the treasurer and while occasionally for an exceptionally nice bit there is spirited bidding, it is ever good natured. The bidding is somewhat on the nature of a "Dutch auction," the successful one being he who will take the smallest fraction of the property offered for sale and in consideration will pay taxes. In this wise only fifteen feet of 200 frontage was the successful bid on one offering of valuable town property.

The offerings are limited only to the physical ability of the treasurer's clerk to make out the tax receipts, this task taking until midnight every night.

Bangor's Relief Method.

A novel and effective plan for the relief of the suffering poor of Bangor, Me., has been put in operation by the relief committee of that city this winter. Paper bags were distributed among the householders, accompanied by a printed slip, saying: "Please put in this bag any contribution you may wish to make, however small, and return to —." The result was very satisfactory. Many people in moderate circumstances had before refrained from giving because of the smallness of their contributions, but this method opened a way for the mite of each one to reach the proper channel for the relief of the poor. The paper bags were returned, containing groceries, provisions that were not immediately perishable, clothing and money. The small individual gift in the aggregate became a mighty collection of food and clothing for the relief of distress.

THE PRIVATE SECRETARY

Public Office Is a Private Snap.

Ex-Governor Hughes and His Family.

Peculiarities Developed in Connection with Several Changes in the Executive Office.

The first changes in the office of the governor since the retirement of L. C. Hughes occurred yesterday.

The first to be announced was that of Miss Wilma Sturges, who has since July last acted as Spanish interpreter and translator. The resignation was dated March 31, the day on which Governor Hughes was removed, and came to Secretary Bruce yesterday with the attached acceptance of "L. C. Hughes, governor." Acting Governor Bruce also attached his acceptance and the resignation was filed. The office, which paid \$500 a year, has been used in the past apparently as a sort of a perquisite of the executive. There are not a dozen letters a year to be read or written in Spanish, and the allowance is a relic of the days when the capital was at Tucson, and half the territory's inhabitants were Spanish speaking. It was this office that was held by John Armstrong, of especial fame, and afterwards by Miss Gertrude Hughes, daughter of the governor, who at the same time was doing very well as a teacher of elocution at the territorial university at Tucson. But lately it has been held by the young lady who has resigned, and the question of the amount of work entailed upon the department of languages is immaterial to the subject. The secretary at one time refused to audit any more vouchers for the interpreter's pay, but the matter was taken over his head at Washington and an amount of back pay was even admitted.

The second office that furnished a vacancy was that of the governor's private secretary, J. M. Burnett, the well-known attorney and all-round good fellow, taking the position under appointment from Acting Governor Bruce, presumably in deference to the wishes of Colonel Franklin, the incoming governor. He is one of the most competent of men for the place, a Democrat of the old school and entirely in sympathy with the incoming administration.

In connection with this appointment The Republican has a piece of very juicy news to impart to the ill-informed populace. It has been thought that Eldridge Jordan, of Phoenix, son of ex-Immigration Commissioner T. C. Jordan, had filed that place since the departure of the lamented John Armstrong. But it is not so.

The private secretary of his excellency, Governor L. C. Hughes, has for these many months been none other than Mrs. L. C. Hughes, wife of the aforesaid excellency.

If her name did not appear on the published list of warrants drawn, that did not matter; her name appeared on the auditor's books as the recipient of the \$50 per month appropriated for the pay of the executive secretary. A carping community might say that the talented lady lived in Tucson all the time she was not abroad in the interests of the political emancipation of down-trodden woman and that she could therefore not have performed the duties of the position; that her labors on the Daily Star would have prevented attention to the duties of the post. But the fact remains that the governor's wife has been drawing \$500 a year.

Where Jordan came in was as secretary of the territorial loan commission, his total monthly receipts from which aggregated \$50. It was he, however, who did the work of the executive offices, filling in thusly the time between the monthly meetings of the loan commission. At one time it was John Hughes who held the office of private secretary, he at the same time being publicly announced as the editor of the Tucson Star. Now John is in the east perfecting his education that he may tread in the paths of righteousness and in the footsteps of his sire; but the cash has remained in the family.

While on this very interesting subject, it might be well to note that Miss Gertrude Hughes, who is undoubtedly a young lady of the highest ability in her chosen profession, is now and long has been professor of elocution in the territorial university at Tucson. Of course it might be said that a professor of elocution in a school of such limited membership is something of a luxury. But that cannot be, for at a meeting of the university board a few months ago, where economy was the main subject, the salaries of the professors were all scaled down a few hundred a year, save only the salary of the governor's daughter, which was raised several hundred a year, she now drawing \$1,200. Of course it was merely the recognition of merit, but just the same the governor, as an ex-officio regent, was in attendance, pushing for economy in the interest of the dearly-beloved people.

Behold! This much has been found, and the pages of the record have as yet scarce been turned.